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Title: METHOD FOR WELDING TUBES, AND) Group Art Unit: 1725
DEVICE FOR CARRYING OUT SAID METHOD)
Serial No.: 09/831,801)
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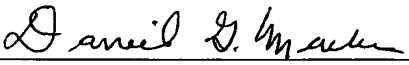
LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Sir or Madam:

Submitted herewith are nine (9) sheets formal drawings (Figs. 1-12) for the
above-identified patent application. It is requested that these drawings be substituted for the
drawings presently on file in the application.

Should the Official Draftsperson have any objection to the formal drawings submitted herewith, it is requested that Applicants' undersigned attorney be contacted by telephone at the number given below to discuss the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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